



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Office of Family and Public Engagement

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“Rediscover Ward 5” The Great Schools Initiative: Brookland Middle



Meeting Objectives

- ✓ Provide overview of process to date
- ✓ Understand clearly the role you will play
- ✓ Share Academic Planning process and timeline
- ✓ Receive questions and feedback



Meeting Agenda

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3. Academic Planning Discussion

4. What's Next

Ward 5's Path to Brookland SIT

(Summer 2011)
Ward 5 Council on
Education

(September 2011)
Community Meeting at
LCM SHS

(Sept. – Oct.)
Extensive Outreach
Parent Advisory Group
formed

(November 2011)
Community Meeting at
Langdon EC

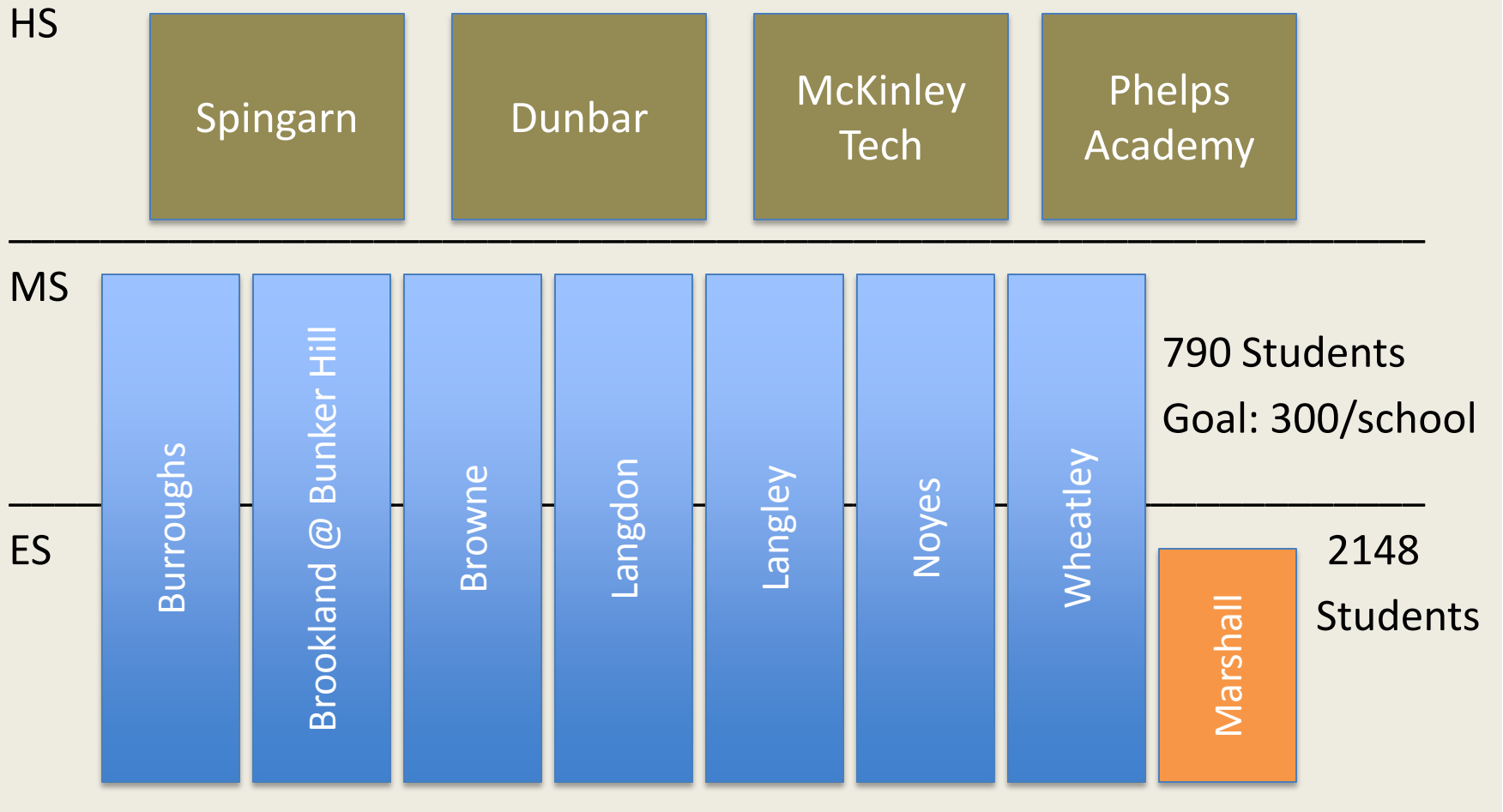
(Dec '11 – Feb '12)
Extensive parent
outreach
Internal Working Group

(March '12)
Community Meeting at
McKinley Tech HS

(March '12 – Sept '12)
Internal Working Group

(Sept '12)
SIT Process Kickoff for
McKinley and
Brookland

Current Ward 5 Grade Configuration



Final Ward 5 Grade Configuration

HS

Spingarn

Dunbar

McKinley
STEM HS

Phelps
Academy

MS

IB Education Campus
(300 MS seats)

Arts and Language
Middle School
(500 seats)

McKinley
STEM MS
(380 seats)

1180 Seats

ES

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Goal for ES:
400 – 600/school

Ward 5 Middle Grades Sites

Brookland Middle

- Covers northern part of the ward
- Accessible; proximity to DPR
- Opportunity for design/modernization

Browne EC

- Covers southeastern part of the ward
- Already open; solid 6th – 8th grade population
- Capacity: 850

McKinley Middle

- Covers central part of the ward
- Neighborhood school
- Will grow the MS over 3 years; 6th grade only in 1st year

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DGS School Improvement Team (SIT) Composition

- Coordinated and facilitated by DGS staff and/or consultants
- Committee members
- Teachers
- School Staff
- Parents
- Neighborhood Organization Reps
- Students
- Representative of the Chancellor's Office

DGS School Improvement Team (SIT) Roles

ROLE OF SIT

- Established at every school where a major capital project is scheduled
- Primary focus is to influence the development of the Education Specification (“Ed Spec”) and Schematic Design
- Meet through end of construction and receive updates, consult on issues and disseminate information to peers (i.e. McKinley Middle, the SIT is brainstorming with the design team a STEM teaching demonstration lab that could be used by McKinley, DCPS, and the community for instruction and professional development)

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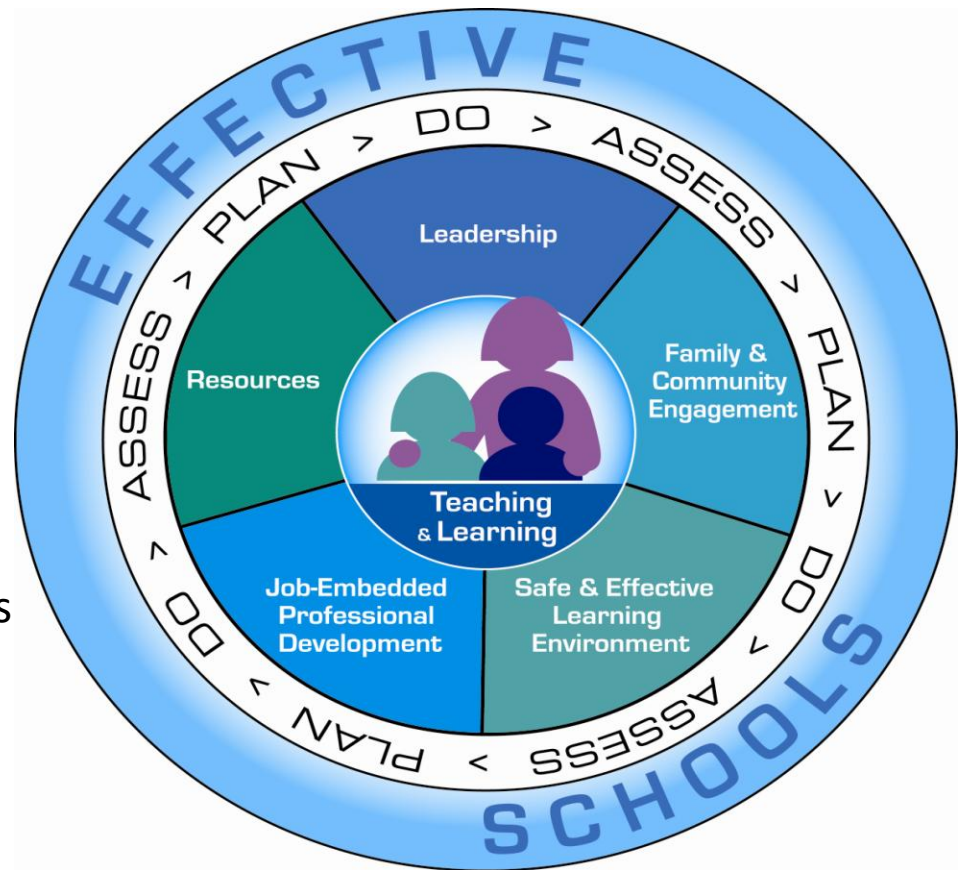
Brookland MS Academic Planning Team Composition

- Principal
- Instructional Superintendent
- Content experts from the Office of the Chief Academic Officer
 - Director, World Languages
 - Director, Music Curriculum
 - Secondary Math Specialist
- Parent/Community member (with Arts background)
- Parent/Community member (with World Language background)

The Program

Components of an effective school

- Rigorous Academic Offerings
- Breadth of Offerings
- Appropriate Facilities
- Responsive to diverse stakeholders



Arts and Language School (Brookland MS)

Arts

- Arts Learning
- Arts Integration
 - Teaching artist residencies
 - Teachers use arts integrated lessons
- Arts Experiences
 - Hosted guest artists/performances
 - Public showcases of student learning

World Language

- At least 2 languages must be offered
- High school credits for students – 9th grade, ready for Level 2
- Year long courses with ideal 135 minutes of instruction/week
- Teachers specialize in language they teach

Brookland MS Proposed Academic Map

Subject	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
English	English 6	English 7	English 8
Math	Math 6	Math 7	Math 8/Algebra I
Science	Earth Science	Life Science	Physical Science
Social Studies	Social Studies 6	Social Studies 7	Social Studies 8
World Languages	Language & Culture	Language Level 1 A	Language Level 1 B
Music	Music 6 Choral Music Beginning Band/Orchestra	Music 7 Choral Music II Intermediate Band/Orch.	Music 8 Choral Music III Advanced Band/Orchestra
Art	Art 6	Art 7	Art 8
Health/PE	Health/PE 6	Health/PE 7	Health/PE 8

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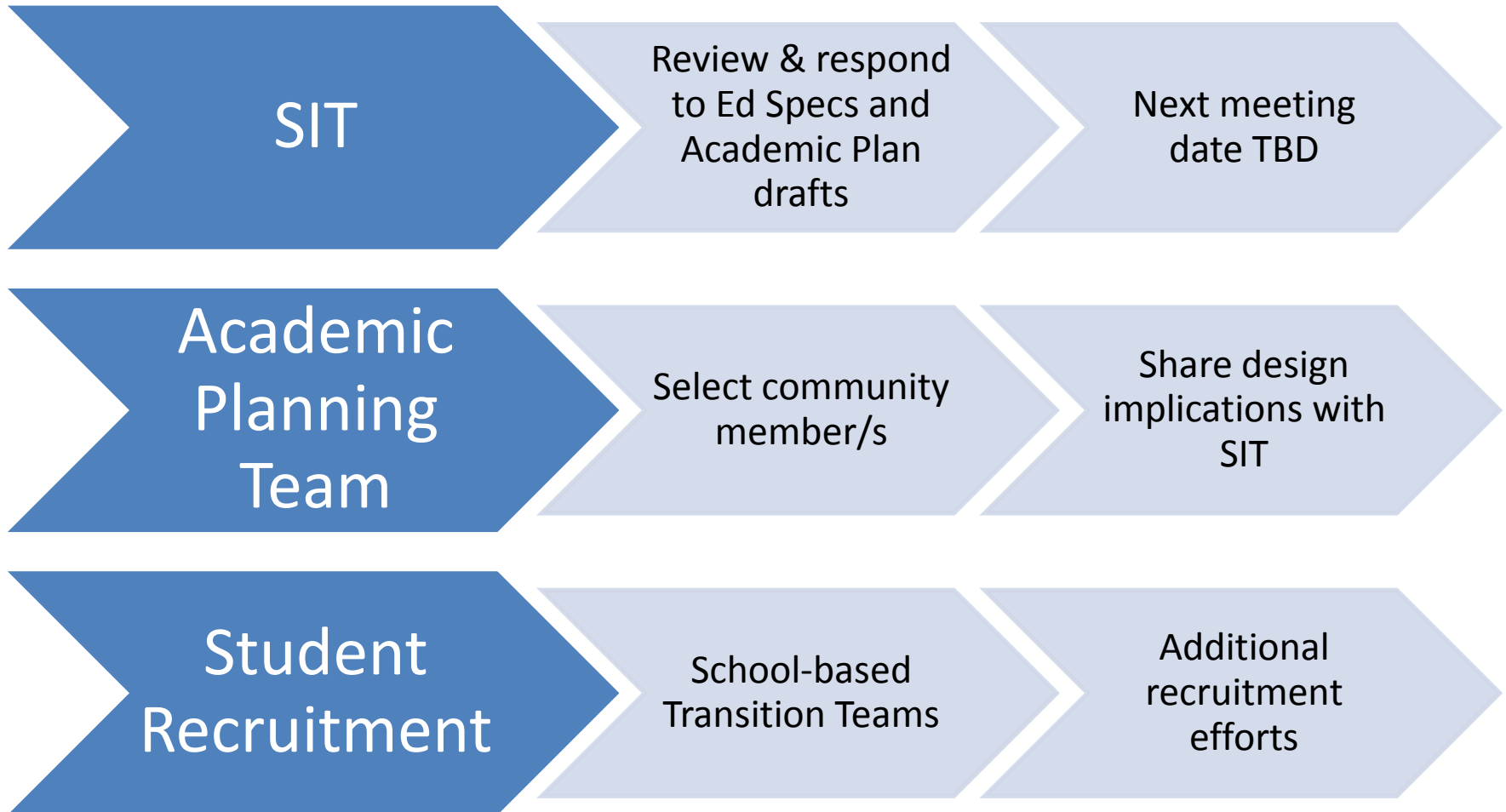
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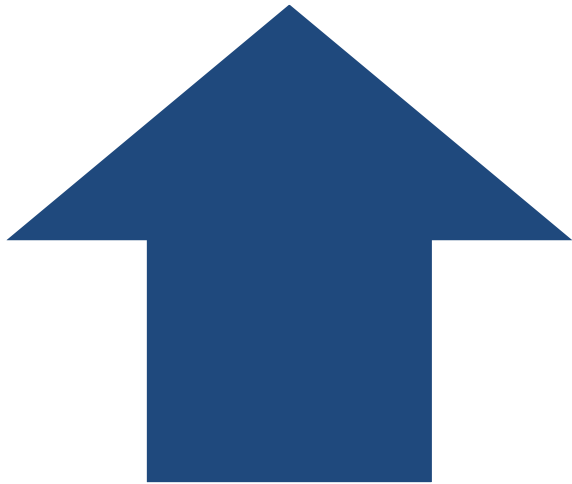
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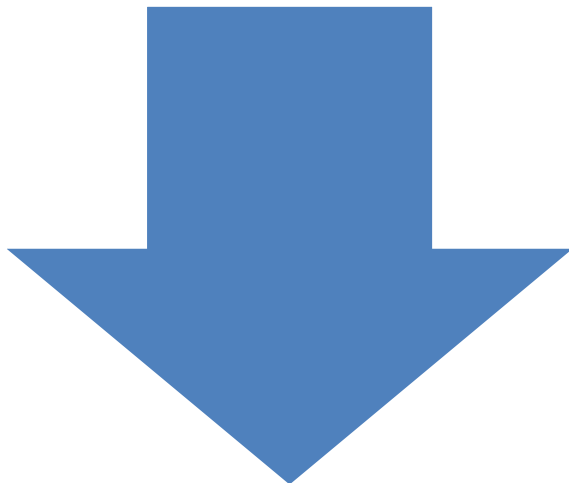
Next Steps



Ward 5 Landscape

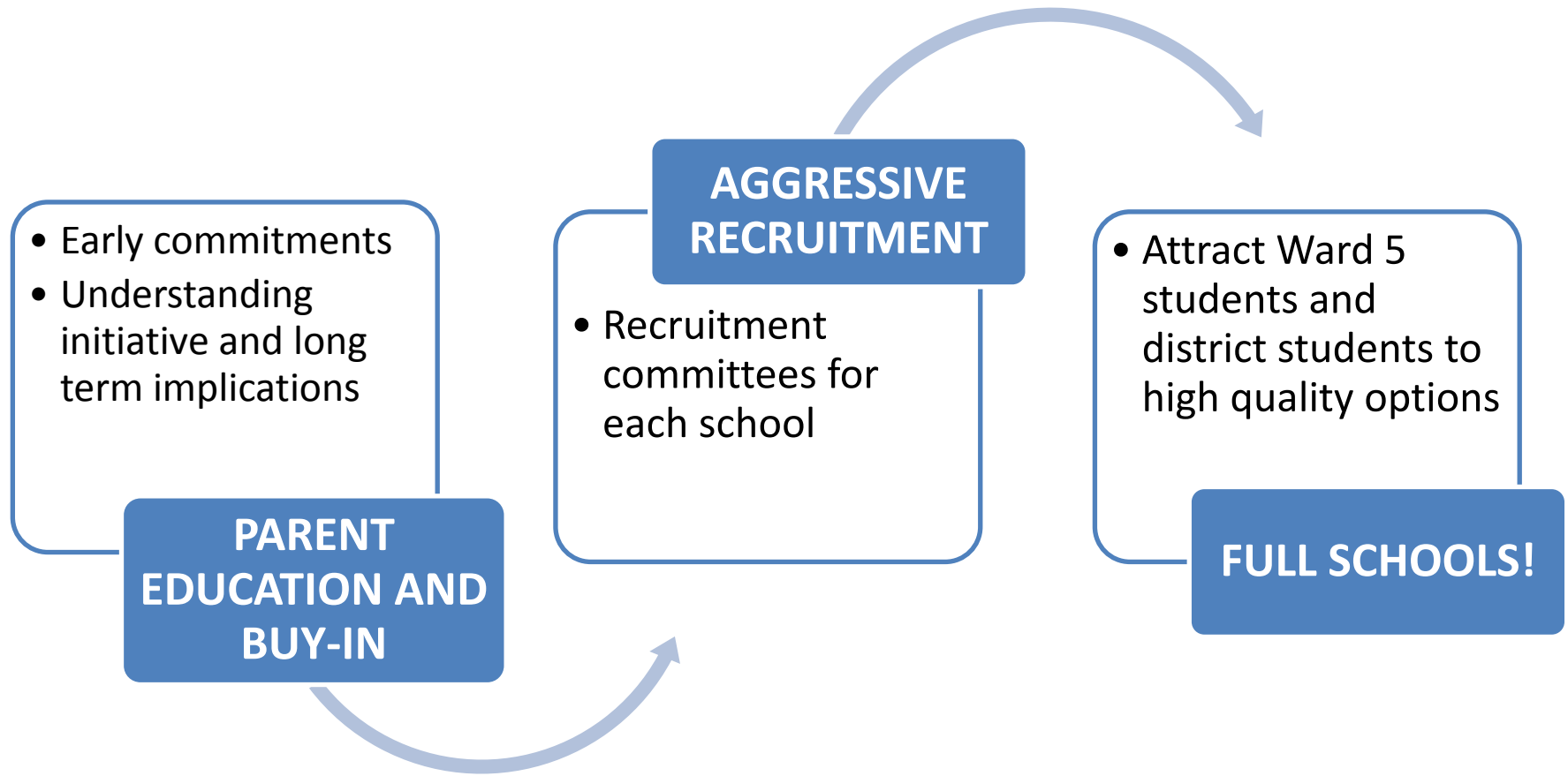


657 students come
to Ward 5 schools
from other wards



1326 students leave
Ward 5 schools for
other wards

Rediscover Ward 5 Schools



QUESTIONS??